GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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CHANGE IN FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENT OF U.N.
TUFANI SAROJ

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether financial arrangement of United Nations has been drastically changed;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the financial implications thereof for India?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a) & (b) The UN General Assembly adopted the revised methodology on scales of assessment for the regular and peace-keeping budgets on December 24, 2000. The ceiling of the United States for the regular budget was brought down from 25% to 22%.

(c) India`s contribution to the regular budget will go up slightly from 0.299% for 2000 to 0.343% for 2001; 0.344% for 2002; and 0.341% for 2003. India will continue to enjoy an 80% discount on its contribution to the peace-keeping budget.